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Recycling schedule

The recycling pickup for Wednesday, July 10, is paper. Put items in paper bags, boxes or bundles and place them on the curb.

Refuse removal during holiday

The July 4 holiday will require a change in the trash pickup in the housing area. Refuse normally scheduled for pickup on Thursday in the housing area will be picked up on Wednesday, July Recycling and refuse removal will both be performed on that day. For more information, call Debbie Meranski, 410-306-2337.

Holiday closures on APG

Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic will be closed on July 4 in observance of the federal holiday.

The General Medicine Clinic will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by appointment only on July 5 and 6. Appointments can be made through nurse triage at 410-278-1751.

The clinic will be closed on July 7. Normal operating hours will resume July 8.

The *Post Theater* will be closed on Friday and Saturday, July 5 and 6 for the Independence Day holiday.

Edgewood and Aberdeen Re-Nu-It Centers will be closed July 4 through 6. Aberdeen Re-Nu-It Center will reopen on July 9 and Edgewood Re-Nu-It Center will reopen on July 10.

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Center's Equipment Resource Center will be closed July 3

The post Veterinary Treatment Facility will be closed July 5.

Postponement of Centralized Resumix transition

The Department of the Army has identified problems with converting to the Centralized Resumix system. As a result, the Civilian Personnel Operations Center Northeast Region has indefinitely postponed conversion to the centralized system until the problems are fixed and a new routine can be developed and thoroughly tested. (Article on transition appeared in APG News June 27, 2002.)

The necessary steps are being taken to cancel the

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Airports begin recruiting

New uniform regulation goes on Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs Army News Service ten report at the discretion of the commander.

The most current uniform policy regulation went online June 25, and clarification of the Army's tattoo policy is only one of two dozen changes or updates that will take effect Aug. 1.

Other revised items include hair, nails, contacts, cell phones, pagers, headgear, 'camelbacks," desert battle-dress-uniform insignia, regimental distinctive insignia, physical fitness uniform wear and pregnancy, the explosive ordnance detachment badge and the black mess uniform.

What people have to remember is that the Army regulation is the only publication that accurately spells out proper wear of the uniform, said Master Sgt. Kittie Messman, the uniform policy noncommissioned officer for the Army's G1. Messman is the principal adviser for changes to the uniform policy, but she said the changes that were made came from recommendations.

Regardless of what media sources put out, soldiers should first seek clarification from AR 670-1, and focus on what the regulation states now, and what will go into affect in August, she added.

The uniform regulation was last revised in 1992, but in order to keep up with the pace of changing times the regulation is periodically reviewed.

"The regulation has to change with time," Messman said. "If not we'd still be wearing uniforms from the Civil War."

Tattoo policy

Published in the interest of the people of Aberdeen Proving Ground

Last December, the Army announced that changes were being staffed, and the tattoo policy is one that underwent the most modifications.

"Under the old regulation, it stated that tattoos were prohibited on the face, neck and head. Now, it states that tattoos are not to be visible in the Class A uniform with trousers. So there is a common standard for both males and females," Messman said.

Soldiers who currently have tattoos on their hands will be "grand-fathered" and allowed to keep them, Messman said, as long as the tattoos are inoffensive. Counseling requirements for commanders with soldiers who have tattoos are also outlined in the updated regulation. Offensive tattoos anywhere on the body are prohibited, but tattoos that are not offensive need to be documented in a writ-

To eliminate subjective opinions from one command to the next, the soldier will present the written documentation at his new assignment, Messman said. Headgear

The beret, which is a new clothing item, is addressed in the updated regulation. When soldiers are not wearing the beret outside, they should be carrying it, Messman said.

Soldiers should not attach headgear to the uniform, hang it from their belt or put it in a uniform pocket. This headgear policy has always been in effect, Messman explained. However, in maneuver environments, placement of the utility cap is at the commander's discretion, she added.

All soldiers are exempt from wearing headgear to evening social events (after

The Army flash is the only one authorized on the black beret, unless authorization for distinctive flashes was granted (i.e., OPFOR) before June 14, 2001. Cell phones, pagers

A new policy regarding cell phones and pagers is one addition to the regulation that was generated by technology, Messman said.

Under the regulation, only one electronic device will be authorized for wear on the uniform in the performance of official duties. The device may be either a cell phone or pager - not both. The device must be black in color and may not exceed 4 X 2 X 1 inches. Devices that do not comply with these criteria may not be worn on the uniform and must be carried in the hand, bag or in some other carrying con-

At one time, cell phones and pagers were only common practice for people in the medical field, but now the Army has downsized, and people are doing more than one job at the same time, said Lt. Col. Margaret Flott, chief of the Individual Readiness Policy Division for Army G-1. Soldiers have to be able to go out and

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2002 Independence

Day message

anniversary. In the time since our country's birth, the ideal of

liberty—of freedom from oppression and tyranny—has been

the guiding light for the millions of Americans whose dedica-

As we celebrate our history of selfless service this year, sol-

diers—the centerpiece of our formations—are again serving in

This Independence Day, we celebrate our nation's 226th

Safety, 'Well-Being' highlighted at CAC

Sheila Little APG News

A meeting of the Aberdeen Proving Ground Community Action Council was held at 1:30 p.m., June 20, in the conference room of garrison headquarters. Col. Mardi U. Mark, garrison and deputy installation commander, presided over the meeting which covered the summer concert, Well-Being program and safety issues. Health

Lt. Col. David Krieger, commander of Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic, said the Saturday morning walk-in clinic has been working well. He said that in order to serve the community better, the clinic is working on scheduling more evening hours. He also said that a new pediatrician is starting this month and should alleviate some of the pediatric appointment backlog. Shopping

Some items from the Troop Store in the Edgewood Area have been moved to the Edgewood Area Shoppette, while personnel consider either repairing the damaged building or moving to a new location. Even with an immediate decision, the fix is estimated to take 60 to 90 days.

"We're looking at our options, but there is no good solution," said Director of Installation Operations Bert Scott.

In the meantime, key items that soldiers need on a regular basis are being relocated to the shoppette, and a 24-hour turn-around time is the goal for any additional requests for items stocked in the Aberdeen Area store.

Thea Sarver, APG's manager of the Army and Air Force Exchange Services facilities, said the opening for the new post exchange is now slated for 2007. The current facility is scheduled for an upgrade next year. She added that since the APG store is considered a small troop store, the diversity and quantity of stocked items is limited; however improvements are constantly in the works, including the recent stocking of washers and dryers.

"We try to cater to our troops as well as our retirees," Sarver said.

As of July 1, Richard Nornhold, APG's former commissary director became the director of the commissary at Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico. Tammy Spickler, recently of the Fort Meade commissary, is serving as the interim director. Chapel move

All congregations of the Edgewood Area Chapel will hold weekend services in the conference center across the street from the chapel until the air conditioning is repaired.

Scott said the U.S. Army Materiel Command recently released \$286,000 for improvements to installation buildings. APG is budgeting this for 11 buildings, and fixing the air conditioning in the EA Chapel is one of the slated projects.

Roy Ballinger, director of Community and Family Activities, said tickets for the Aug. 17 concert featuring REO Speedwagon, Eddie Money and Night Ranger are now on sale. Contact Ticketmaster, 1-800-551-SEAT, or the See CAC, page 4

tion and personal sacrifice have secured our independence, preserved our liberties, and protected our way of life. Throughout our nation's proud history, devoted men and women in uniform have secured the rights and freedoms we cherish most dearly, those guaranteed by our Constitution. Many have given their last full measure of devotion to ensure that future generations

harm's way, on point for the nation. Soldiers are an essential part of America's efforts to end terrorism, to provide the opportunity for oppressed people to pursue a better life, and to ensure the security of our homeland. They serve around the globe, keeping the peace, training, and doing the heavy lifting as part of the joint team fighting terrorism. They are our "boots on the ground," providing inspiration to millions who seek better conditions and more opportunities for themselves and for their children.

can live the American dream.

Whether honored veteran or new recruit, the bravery and selfless service of America's soldiers have been instrumental to the success of this experiment in democracy that has so convincingly withstood the test of time. And for 227 years, the Army has fulfilled our covenant, our non-negotiable contract, with the American people; when called we will fight and win our nation's wars, decisively. It is a covenant that millions of men and women have proudly lived up to for more than two hundred years.

To you, our veterans and soldiers who continue to make today's celebration possible, we owe our gratitude and our promise to remember and honor you. Liberty and freedom are your gifts to the nation. We thank you, and we salute you.

Secretary of the Army Thomas E. White Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, Army Chief of Staff

AEC Conservation Team aids historic preservation breakthrough

An Aberdeen Proving Ground-based team recently helped solve a historic preservation problem looming for more than half of the Army's inventory of family housing.

The U.S. Army Environmental Center, headquartered in the Edgewood Area, led the effort to create an Army-wide National Historic Preservation Act compliance action for Capehart and Wherry-era housing built from 1949 to 1962 on Army posts.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation approved the action, affecting more than 19,000 family housing structures May 31.

This will save many installations time and effort on required historic preservation reviews, Army officials said, by eliminating separate historic preservation reviews for each project.

"[The] vote by the advisory council places the Army significantly closer to its goal of providing the quality housing that its soldiers and their families need and deserve," said Secretary of the Army Thomas

The team, from the cultural

baggage screeners E. White. Conservation Division, led the effort on behalf of the assistant Army chief of staff for installation management and the Army director of environmental programs.

Spearheaded by David Guldenzopf, acting branch chief, the team also included historians Caroline Hall and Susan Taylor, ACHP liaison Sarah Killinger and attorney Scott Farley. David Berwick served as Army affairs coordinator for ACHP.

"We have had a good working relationship with AEC, and it was further cemented with the success of these Program Comments," said Don Klima, director of the Office of Federal Agency Programs for ACHP. "Program Comments" is a kind of agreement recently added to the ACHP regulations. The Capehart-Wherry compliance action is the first to use that provision.

Klima said he'd like to see this agreement used as a model for the other services and federal agencies.

Though Armywide impact will be significant, APG will feel little or no effect. Only two active Capehart-Wherry

resources branch of the AEC developments are left: Deer estate office this year, after the Run and Grant Circle, both on the Edgewood Area, according to Pat Hector, chief of the APG Housing Division.

> Grant Circle is scheduled to be turned over to the post real

last families living there move out, Hector said. Deer Run went through a major renovation 1994 through 1996 and shouldn't see major work any time soon.

A few other Capehart-Wherry buildings still exist around the post, but they are not being used for housing, Hall said.

> "It is representative of the See HOUSING, page 11



Photo by NEAL SNYDER

Upgrading, preserving or replacing Capehart and Wherry-era housing, like these townhouses in the Deer Run neighborhood, Edgewood, will be easier for the Army thanks to a recent decision by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

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various notifications regarding Resumix On-Line Applicant Response System (ROAR) and Pllicant Notification System Web Enabled Response (ANSWER); applicants will continue to use ROAR to get feedback on their status. We are also changing back to the old Job Information Kit and it will be posted on the CPOC Web site early Monday.

On Monday morning, resumes and self-nominations that came in after closing the NE system will be entered in the sys-

For more information about the transition, visit the Army CPOL Home page at www.cpol.army.mil.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield visits APG

The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center has made arrangements for a claim representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to visit Aberdeen Proving Ground on July 9 to discuss claim problems and plan coverage.

The representative will be available in the Aberdeen Area only from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in building 305, room B-14 (lower

For more information, contact Teri Wright, 410-278-4331, Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

Learn more about Lyme Disease

The APG Committee for the Disabled will present a briefing on the prevention, symptoms and treatment of Lyme Disease on July 11. Sandra R. Evans, a biologist from the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, will begin the briefing at 10 a.m. in the Gunpowder Club, Edgewood Area.

The presentation is open to the entire APG community. For more information, call Angela Cheek, 410-278-1140.

Training offered for child care providers

Family Child Care provider training will be conducted during the week of July 15 in Aberdeen Area, building 2752. Aberdeen and Edgewood area applicants interested in providing home-based child care, especially infant care, are encouraged to apply. Interviews will be held on July 9 and 10.

Being a professionally-trained provider in a warm, home environment offers many benefits to include \$500 per week; self employment; free training in a marketable profession; transferable credit to Army installations world wide; free use of lending library; free referrals by Central Registry; free monthly newsletter; free workshops (nutrition, health, child development, safety, CPR, taxes); participation in the National CDA credential program and participation in the USDA food pro-

For more information, call Beverly Hartgrove, 410-278-9832 or Angie Grinage, 410-278-7576.

Tickets for summer concert

Aberdeen Proving Ground's Morale, Welfare and Recreation is busily planning this year's rock concert. Headlined by REO Speedwagon, openers for the Aug. 17 event are Night Ranger and Eddie Money.

Tickets are on sale for \$25 through Ticketmaster, 1-800-551-SEAT, or at the Information, Ticketing and Registration Office, 410-278-4011. Tickets will also be available the day of the con-

Due to security considerations, only the gate located on Route 22 will be open to concert-goers, who will be directed to designated parking. Those 16 and older should bring a photo ID and plan their arrival time to accommodate personal and vehi-

A tailgate party with a live broadcast by radio station WOCT will be held at the designated parking area from 3 to 6 p.m.

The concert staging area opens at 6 p.m., with the concert getting underway at 7:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed for rock concert

Morale, Welfare and Recreation needs volunteers for the APG Classic Rock Concert, Aug. 17, at Shine Sports Field.

Jobs include gate workers, ticket sellers, concession workers, sponsorship assistants, warehouse workers and photographers. Licensed bus drivers and parking attendants are also needed. Staff T-shirts and training will be provided. Volunteers must be 18 or older and available to work from 4 p.m. to midnight.

For more information about volunteering, contact Ruth 410-278-9536, Overbay, or e-mail her ruth.overbay@usag.apg.army.mil.

For general information, call 410-278-4011/4621, TTY 410-

'Race To Read' registration underway

This summer, the garrison libraries in the Aberdeen and the Edgewood areas are joining with the Harford County Public Library's Summer Reading 2002.

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The post libraries will serve as registration sites for children of all ages who want to join the Race to Read. Come to the library to sign up and receive a take-home kit. Certificates and incentive prizes will be awarded to readers who complete the program. The last day to submit reading logs and receive certificates is Aug. 31.

For more details, call Bill Todd at the post library, 410-278-

Pollution Prevention

Styrofoam packing peanuts can be used over and over again, thereby saving landfill space.

> **APG Pollution Prevention** Program



Register for fall credit classes at HCC

Registration is currently underway for fall 2002 credit classes at Harford Community College's Aberdeen Proving Ground Center, building 3146, Raritan Avenue, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and alternate Fridays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, call 410-272-2338 or 410-278-0516.

Students may also register for courses by mail or FAX through Sept. 3. Forms and further information are included in the Schedule of Fall 2002 Credit Classes, which will be mailed to all Harford County residences this summer. It is also available in the Registration and Records Office at HCC and can be viewed at Web site www.harford.edu.

Prior to registering, students may call HCC's Academic Advising Center at 410-836-4301 to make an appointment to meet with an academic advisor and plan their semester schedule. Students who have never attended HCC, or who attended before fall 2000, should complete an HCC Application for Enrollment prior to registering.

For further information about registering for fall credit courses at HCC, call the Office of Registration and Records at 410-836-4222 or 410-879-8920, ext. 222.

Preventing violence in the workplace

Are communication problems creating a hostile workplace? The Workplace Assessment Team offers a variety of Communication and Conflict Resolution classes designed to help with interpersonal problems and workplace productivity.

For more information or to schedule a class, call Paul Papp, 410-306-1079, or e-mail paul.papp@usag.apg.army.mil.

Workplace Violence Prevention lunchtime classes

Paul Papp of the Work Assessment Team will hold Workplace Violence Prevention workshops in the Aberdeen and Edgewood areas this summer.

In the Aberdeen Area, classes will be held every Monday, noon to 12:45 p.m., building 4304 in the ISD Conference Room. Class dates are July 8, 15, 22 and 29.

In the Edgewood Area, classes will be held every Monday in building E-4430 in the Conference Room. Class dates are Aug. 5, 12, 26 and Sept. 9 and 16.

Topics include Introduction to Workplace Violence Prevention, Refining Your Communication Skills, Conflict Resolution, Managing Workplace Stress and Religious Toleration in the Workplace. Bring a lunch and join in.

For more information, call Paul Papp at 410-306-1079 or email him at Paul.Papp@usag.apg.army.mil.

Manager needed at EA Thrift Shop

Applications for the position of manager are being accepted at the Edgewood Area Thrift Shop located across from the golf course on Stark Road. Applications will be accepted Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 410-

Join the boat club

The Spesutie Island Boating Activity, or SIBA, is accepting applications for the 2002 season. Requirements to join are: possess a government identification card for Aberdeen Proving Ground, boat registration, and proof of insurance. Costs are: for a moored boat - \$11 per foot, for a boat on trailer in parking lot space - \$8 per foot, for ramp access - \$7.50 per foot.

Membership requirements include the member performing eight hours of work for the club and standing security watches.

Membership is open to active duty military, full-time Army National Guard, retired military, Department of the Army civilians employed at APG, retired APG civilians, and full-time contractors with government ID cards. Details can be found in Army Regulation 215-27.

Applications can be picked up at the SIBA clubhouse, building 36, or at Outdoor Recreation.

For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 410-278-

Food Handlers Class

The Environmental Health Section of Preventive Medicine Services will conduct a Food Handler's Class on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic, room A-14. This is a 90-minute class from 8:30 to 10 a.m. and is mandatory for all food service personnel (military and civilian) in the Aberdeen and Edgewood areas of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Managers, directors or noncommissioned officers in charge of all food service establishments on post will ensure that their personnel attend this class.

Attendance at this class will be a requirement for hiring new civilian employees. Registration should be made at least three days prior to the class date. Class size is limited and is based on first-call, first-served basis.

For more information, contact Spc. Chris Roberts at 410-278-1956.

Use both lanes

Drivers are urged to use both lanes as they approach the gates to APG's Aberdeen Area.

At the barricades, motorists should alternate the right of way allowing every other car to move into the primary entrance lane, like a zipper.

This more efficient movement of traffic will speed up the process.

The provost marshal warns drivers who pull out in front of other vehicles, block traffic lanes or exhibit other aggressive tendencies, that they are driving on a federal installation and are subject to citations through the federal court system.

AA meetings held at APG chapel

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at the Aberdeen Post Chapel, building 2485, every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This is an open discussion meeting available to the entire Aberdeen community, military and civilian.

Army Band requests

Requests for the 389th Army Band (AMC's Own) should be submitted to Staff Sgt. Stephen Stewart, 410-278-4376, a minimum of 60 days in advance of an event.

Commercial Activities Hotline available

The CA telephone hotline at 410-278-7414, and CA e-mail hotline at CA.Hotline@usag.apg.army.mil, are available to provide updates and answers to your questions concerning the CA Study. In addition, CA is now a choice on the first page of the APG Web site, www.apg.army.mil.

After Hours Clinic

Effective immediately the After Hours Clinic at Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic is closed on Sundays and holidays. Patients needing advice on their health care can call the Nurse Advice Line at 1-800-308-3518.

If you feel you have an emergency problem, call 911 or go to the nearest hospital emergency room.

EOC phone numbers

The Garrison Aberdeen Proving Ground Emergency under the direct control of the Directorate of Safety, Health and Environment/Fire Department. The new telephone numbers for the EOC are 410-278-3182 and 410-278-3183.

Within your reach

Get answers about how the Army is safely eliminating the mustard agent stockpile stored at the Edgewood Area of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

For information, call or visit the Edgewood Chemical Stockpile Outreach Office, 1011B Woodbridge, Center Way, Edgewood, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., 410-676-6800, or visit Web site www-pmcd.apgea.army.mil.

CPOC Web site updated

The new Telegraph is now available on the Civilian Operations Center http://cpolrhp.army.mil/ner/telegraph/tele1001/tellyframe.htm.



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DONNA'S OFFERS SOFT ICE CREAM



Photo by YVONNE JOHNSON

Michelle Smith cools off with a vanilla cone from Donna's Pit Beef. Located in building 3245 (next to the theater), Donna's offers vanilla soft-serve ice cream, in cones or cups, and caramel, chocolate, hot fudge, butterscotch and strawberry sundaes. Toppings include marshmallow, whipped cream, rainbow sprinkles or nuts. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 410-272-7730.

Spouse clubs bestow scholarships

Navy Cmdr. Steve and Beth

Caughey of Forest Hill. Caughey is a student at the

Katelin Campbell, the 2001

graduate of Aberdeen High

School is the and daughter of

Campbell, and has completed

her first year at Penn State on a

pre-med track. Formerly asso-

ciated with the U.S. Army

Center for Health Promotion

and Preventive Medicine, the

Campbells recently moved to

another assignment at Fort

Rucker, Ala.

University of Maryland.

Story and Photos by Sheila Little

The Edgewood Area Officers' Wives Club and the Military and Civilian Spouses Club have announced the scholarship recipients for Lt. Col. John and Tish 2002. Awardees include five individuals receiving scholarships sponsored by the clubs and two recipients of \$1,000 First Command Scholarships, backed by the financial planning organization.

EA-OWC awardees

The EA-OWC held a luncheon to award the organization's recipients in May.

Jenna Edens, wife of Capt. Regan Edens, U.S. Army Technical Escort Unit, received the \$500 spouse scholarship. Enrolled at the College Park campus of the University of Maryland, Edens is pursuing a degree in general business management in the Robert H. Smith School of Business.

David Cohen, a C. Milton Wright graduate and son of retired Maj. Dr. Stephen and Tina Cohen, received a \$500 student scholarship. He will pursue music composition and recording engineering at the Peabody Institute Baltimore.

Jonathan Mukai, son of Peggy and Col. David Mukai, U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, also received \$500 and will attend the New York Institute of Technology, pursuing business, computer science and communications.

The EA-OWC-administered \$1,000 First Command Scholarship was awarded to Beth Ellenberger, daughter of retired Lt. Col. Barry and Candy Ellenberger. The Bel Air High School graduate will pursue elementary education at the University of Maryland.

MCSC scholars

The MCSC held a scholarship presentation June 7. The MCSC presented a First Command Scholarship of \$1,000 to Jaynine Vado, a graduate of Aberdeen High School. She hopes to become an orthopedic surgeon and will study psychology and sports sciences at Ursinus College in Pennsylvania.

Receiving a \$1,000 MCSC scholarship is Kimberly Caughey, daughter of retired

FEW offers scholarship

Ann Gibson

The Maryland Tri-County Chapter of Federally Employed Women is offering the annual Dottie Dorman Working Woman's Scholarship. The woman chosen will receive a \$300 scholarship for college expenses.

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must be a female federal employee working in Baltimore, Cecil, or Harford County, and currently pursuing college-level studies. The recipient will be required to provide proof of enrollment.

Each qualified candidate must prepare a short essay, not to exceed one typewritten page, summarizing her educational plans and explaining how the scholarship would be used.

Selection will be based on the lack of promotion potential in current job, lack of employer funding for college courses, whether or not applicant is pursuing a degree, and essay presentation and writing style.

Application should include the applicant's name, home and work address, home and work telephone numbers, email address, current supervisor's name and telephone

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The scholarship recipients attending the Military and Civilian Spouses Club scholarship reception are pictured from the left, Jaynine Vado, who received a \$1,000 First Command Scholarship, and Kimberly Caughey, who received a \$1,000 MCSC scholarship. Not pictured is the club's \$500 scholarship recipient Katelin Campbell.



Edgewood Area Officers' Wives Club scholars for 2002 include from the left, David Cohen, who received a \$500 student scholarship, and Jenna Edens, who received a \$500 spouse scholarship. Not pictured is the \$1,000 First Command Scholarship winner Beth Ellenberger and Jonathan Micou, who received a \$500 student scholarship.

410-272-9400 OR 410-575-6970

Nine retire in June ceremony

E.C. Starnes OC&S

Nine military and civilian retirees marked the first week of summer by retiring in a ceremony at Ordnance Circle.

Col. Kone Brugh II, deputy commander and chief of staff, U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools, served as the host for

"This is an historic month in which to celebrate an Army retirement," Brugh said. "This month we celebrated the 225th birthday of the U.S. flag. This month we celebrated the 227th birthday of the U.S. Army. And, next week we celebrate the 226th birthday of our nation."

He noted that the retirees represented nearly three centuries of service to the nation in a wide variety of professional fields.

"In the end, they all came together to participate in support of shaping and guiding our Army into its next step on a long journey of service to our nation."

Brugh also saluted the families of the retirees.

"Our retirees didn't do it alone," he said. "They had the support of strong families who stood behind them and beside them throughout the years. They shared the early morning departures, the separations, the long hours, the moves and those unique challenges that face a military family.

"And, throughout it all, they also managed to raise some 17 children and 3 grandchildren."

Retirees

John W. Kiesel retired as chief, Budget and Fiscal Division, and financial management officer for the U.S. Army Developmental Test Command after 31 years of service. He received a Certificate of Retirement, while his wife, Joan, received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Lt. Col. Timothy F. Fox retired as the professor of Military Science at Loyola College after 25 years of service. He received the Legion of Merit (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), Department of the Army Certificate of Retirement, and Presidential Certificate of Appreciation. His wife, Beth, received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Michael J. Early retired from DTC. He received a Certificate

of Retirement and a Certificate of Appreciation, while his wife, Pegge, received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Sandra L. Fox retired from DTC after 40 years of service. She received a Certificate of Retirement and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Jeanne S. Romine retired from DTC after 35 years of service. She received a Certificate of Retirement and a Certificate of Achievement.

Chief Warrant Officer Robert A. Daley retired as an instructor/writer with the Warrant Officer Basic Course, Warrant Officer Professional Division, Command and Staff Department, OC&S, after 25 years of service. He received the Meritorious Service Medal (3d Oak Leaf Cluster), a Department of the Army Certificate of Retirement, and a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation.

Mary L. Cruise retired from the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine after 36 years of service. She received a Certificate of Retirement and a Certificate of Appreciation, while her husband, James, received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Sgt. First Class Patricia A. Takacs retired as the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of the Course Director's Office, Command and Staff Department, OC&S, after 20 years of service. She received the Meritorious Service Medal (3d Oak Leaf Cluster), a Department of the Army Certificate of Retirement and a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation, while her son, Matthew received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Frankie White retired from the Civilian Security Guard Division, Directorate of Law Enforcement and Security, U.S. Army Garrison, APG, after 35 years of service. He received a Certificate of Retirement and a Certificate of Appreciation.

Serving as the honor contingent for the ceremony were officers and soldiers from the 16th Ordnance Battalion.

Brugh thanked them for their support and advised them to "Take a long and hard look at these great Americans we honor today, because you carry with you their heritage of trust, sacrifice and outstanding service."

Also joining in with musical honors for the nation and the retirees was the 389th Army Band (AMC's Own).

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Information, Ticketing and Registration Office, 410-278-4011. Tickets are \$25 in advance, or \$35 on the day of the concert.

Security and safety

Rob Krauer, provost marshal, said the installation is awaiting the printing of APG decals for vehicles. Once they arrive, details on how to obtain them will appear in the APG News.

He said a plan is in the works to restrict entrance through the Harford (Route 22) Gate to government ID card holders only. All trucks, deliveries and visitors are to use the Maryland Boulevard (Route 40, Tank Row) Gate.

Speeding in the housing areas, bikers of all ages riding without helmets, and unsecured, stolen bicycles on the installation are problems. Krauer said an unmarked vehicle is now patrolling for speed-

ers, and reminded everyone that all are to wear helmets when operating bikes, scooters, skates or other foot-propelled recreational equipment. In addition, bicycles that are left outside should be secured. Other safety, Well-Being issues

Susie Ashby, public safety officer, said those who are planning to drink alcohol over the upcoming holiday weekend should designate a driver or make other arrangements. The law is the same for boat pilots. She also reminded attendees to use sunscreen and limit exposure to avoid sun-

Robert Phillabaum, coordinator of the Well-Being program at APG said he is preparing unit briefings that should August. APG is one of five test sites for the new program that is making observations and recommendations for a successful program to increase quality of life Army-wide. For more information, call 410-306-4516.

Housing, playgrounds

The installation of geo-thermal heat pumps in Patriot Village is nearly completed. Residents have noticed an improvement in home temperatures, but the digging during installation caused yard damage. Marilyn Spence, AA housing engineering technician, said the condition of the yards is an issue, but plans to take care of it are underway.

Scott, who explained that playgrounds on APG are moving from small neighborhood sites to larger, regional locations with better equipment, displayed before and after pictures of playground repair and installation. The project was a joint effort between the DIO and Saftey Office.

He said that after safety personnel noted safety violations, be available sometime in DIO personnel took care of

"We've done a whole lot of work, including fixing or removing equipment and adding sand and mulch," he said. "We're not done, its an ongoing issue," Scott said.

He urged the beneficiaries to supervise their children on the playgrounds and be diligent about keeping it clean.

cern regarding out-of-control

Roundtable Residents expressed conteens and the length of time before they are disciplined; the watering of the golf course greens during the drought when residents are not allowed to wash their cars; and golf cart traffic through the residential area adjacent to Exton Golf Course.

Teens caught destroying or defacing property will appear before the installation's Juvenile Disciplinary Advisory Council. There can be a lengthy lag time before the teens appear before the coun-

The golf courses are watered because keeping them in playable condition brings revenue to the installation and also because the \$80,000 replacement cost for each individual green is considered exorbitant.

Golf cart operators should yield to thru traffic in housing areas and not attempt to cross until it is safe to do so. However, once a walker or golf cart driver is crossing, road traffic should yield.

The next meeting of the Community Action Council is scheduled for Aug. 1, 1:30 p.m., in the first floor conference room of building 305, garrison headquarters.

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number (to confirm federal employment), and name of educational institution attending.

Applications should be mailed to Maryland Tri-County FEW Scholarship, c/o Suzanne L. Schultz, 952 Chesapeake Drive, Havre de Grace, MD 21078.

All applications must be received by Aug. 7.

The chapter's executive and scholarship committee members will review the essays.

The scholarship winner will be announced at Aberdeen Proving Ground's Women's Equality Day observance and awards ceremony, Aug. 14, at Top of the Bay.

Sports & Recreation





Health, Fitness Day 2002

Photos by GWEN MEADOWS

Left, Sarah Rudolph, a massage therapist from Fort George G. Meade gives Glenn Leech a 15-minute massage. Right, Iris Barnes, a Pampered Chef kitchen products representative from Havre de Grace, puts the finishing touches on a taco salad she made for visitors to Health and Fitness Day activities in the Edgewood Area Fitness Center inside Hoyle Gym in May. Simultaneous events were also held in the Aberdeen Area Fitness Center in building 320. Dozens of military and civilian personnel participated in the annual day of health promotion that included a fun run/walk, blood pressure and cholesterol screenings, massage therapy, aerobics classes and membership promotions. For information, contact Gwyn Dolzine at 410-

Softball update

The following results were reported for intramural softball for the week ending June 28.

American and Edgewood divisions

Results

June 24 SBCCOM, 14; NCOA, 0HHC 16th, 18; TEU, 2 HST, 19; Company A 143rd, 8 KUSAHC, 25; Company C 143rd, 0 HHC 143rd, 19; Company B 143rd, 1 June 26 HHC 16th, 16; SBCCOM, 2 KUSAHC, 18; TEU, 6 NCOA, 20; Company B 143rd,

HHC 143rd, 14; Company A 143rd, 6

HST, 13; Company C 143rd, 2

American Division Schedule

July 8

6:30 p.m., HHC 61st vs. TEU 7:30 p.m., KUSAHC vs. SBC- COM 8:30 p.m., Company B 143rd

vs. HST *7:30 p.m., Company A 143rd vs. HHC 143rd

*8:30 p.m., Company C 143rd vs. HHC 16th July 10

6:30 p.m., HHC 143rd vs. TEU 7:30 p.m., NCOA vs.

Company A 143rd 8:30 p.m., HST vs. SBCCOM *6:30 p.m., Company B 143rd vs. HHC 61st

*7:30 p.m., Company A 143rd vs. NCOA

Standings

Standings	
HHC 16th	8-
HHC 143rd	6-
HST	5-3
KUSAHC	3-
NCOA	3-4
HHC 61st	2-
Edgewood	Division

Schedule

July 8 **6:30 p.m., HHC 61st vs.TEU **7:30 p.m., KUSAHC vs. SBCCOM

8:30 p.m., Company B 143rd vs. HST

7:30 p.m., Company A 143rd vs. HHC 143rd 8:30 p.m., Company C 143rd

vs. HHC 16th July 10 **6:30 p.m., HHC 143rd vs.

TEU **7:30 p.m., NCOA vs. Company A 143rd

**8:30 p.m., HST vs. SBC-

6:30 p.m., Company B 143rd vs. HHC 61st

7:30 p.m., Company A 143rd vs. NCOA

Standings

Company A 143rd 3-2 Company C 143rd 2-3 **SBCCOM** 2-4 TEU 1-5 Company B 143rd 0-7

National Division

Results June 25 HHC 1/115th, 16; Company E 16th, 3 Company A 16th, 14;

Company B 16th, 4 USMC, 17; Company C 16th,

Schedule

July 9 6:30 p.m., Company A 16th vs. Company E 16th 7:30 p.m., Company B 16th vs. USMC 8:30 p.m., Company C 16th vs. HHC 1/115th July 11 6:30 p.m., Company C 16th vs. Company A 16th 7:30 p.m., Company B 16th vs. Company E 16th 8:30 p.m., USMC vs. HHC

Standings

1/115th

USIVIC	4-0
HHC 1/115th	4-1
Company C 16th	4-1
Company A 16th	1-4
Company E 16th	0-3
Company B 16th	0-4
* Games played in	
Edgewood Area	
** Games played in	
Aberdeen Area	

Commentary

A simple 'thank you' will do



Lt. Col. Donnie Butler

we enter Independence Day holiday, I'd like to tell you about someone I met this week whose patriotism put a "lump in my throat."

His name is Sgt. Walter A. Bustamante and he is a Maryland Army National Guardsman assigned to Company C, 1/115th Infantry, activated after Sept. 11 as a part of the site defense forces here at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

That in itself is not unusual, as I am also an activated soldier. But read on.

Born in El Salvador, Bustamante joined the El

Salvador Army in the late providing for his four children 1970s and went to officer training courses in Fort Benning, Ga.

Upon returning to his country, he was approached by the Sandanista rebels who were trying to recruit him to help in overthrowing the government. He refused four times. The fifth time he refused, they bombed his home.

He went to the local government officials for help and was told there was little that they could do, so he decided to come to the United States of America as an illegal immigrant.

Upon arrival, he went to Washington, D.C., applied for political asylum and was accepted. He earned his green card and later became an American citizen.

Maryland Army National Guard and returned to school to earn a bachelor's in business and a master's in business administration.

He became a purchasing agent with a small office-manufacturing firm in the area. Just as he was about to start living the "American Dream,"

and wife and pursuing the life that they had dreamed of, he was called up for Noble Eagle.

I asked him about his job situation when he returns.

"Sir, my employer says that he will have a job for me at comparable pay but that the purchasing agent job had to be filled for the company to keep operating," Bustamante said. "So I will probably have to start all over for that slot."

I then asked how that made him feel? Here's where I had to swallow three or four times when he answered.

"Sir, I am proud to be able to serve my country," Bustamante said.

Folks, he is talking about the United States of America, not El Salvador.

I didn't know what to say to Bustamante joined the him. Then I thought back to when I first arrived here in January of this year.

> I was in an audience of garrison directors watching a Town Hall meeting being given by video teleconference by Maj. Gen. John C. Doesburg, commander of APG. Doesburg asked the audience to thank an activated

soldier by simply looking them in the eye and saying, "Thank you for what you are doing."

I happened to be sitting next to Byrne Huntley, director of information management. At the end of the VTC he turned to me, shook my hand and said, "Thank you for what you are doing."

It mattered that he had done

So I shook Bustamante's hand, told him that I was honored to serve with him and said "Thank you for what you are doing."

The next time you encounter one of "us" and you feel like showing your appreciation, please know that a simple 'thank you' is enough to let us know you care.

And by the way, don't stop there. Please remember all the other men and women in uniform who were already serving this country before Sept. 11 and have quietly continued to serve while the "activated" soldiers have been in the limelight. Give them a much-needed 'thank you' also. Believe me they will appreciate it.

Dairy Queen offers military, vets free sundaes July 6

Roger Cook

Children's Miracle Network

In a show of patriotism and gratitude for the nation's military and veterans, the Dairy Queen system is proclaiming July 6 as American Legion/Military Day. On that day, members of the American Legion Family, active military and veterans sporting proper membership or military identification cards, will receive a free five-ounce sundae at any participating Dairy Queen location.

"We want to say 'thank you' to those who have made and continue to make tremendous sacrifices for our country," said Chuck Mooty, president and CEO International Dairy Queen,

The one-day event is just one element in the Dairy Queen system's 'Red, White & Blue' promotion, which runs June 29 to July 31.

"The All

Blizzard Flavor Treat is a great way to celebrate our national pride during one of the most patriotic times of the vear - the July 4th holi-

> day," Mooty said. "We're excited to national advertising to help further promote that pride, as well as our partnership with

American Legion family to support Children's Miracle Network hospitals."

During the entire promotion, participating Dairy Queen operators will take advantage of the additional exposure to maximize a variety of Children's Miracle Network fund-raising activities, such as collecting change from customers and selling paper Miracle Flags for a \$1 contribution.

The Dairy Queen franchise participating in Harford County is located at 1510 American Conowingo Road, Bel Air.

Uniform

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do their jobs without being tied to their desk, she said.

Grooming policies

The policy change authorizing braids and cornrows is an example of items that were once seen as inappropriate in the workplace, but now are considered conservative and business-like, Messman said.

And the policy clarification that prohibits two-toned manicured nails is an example of a growing trend that has no place in the work area, she added.

People usually have the hardest time accepting the grooming policies, Messman said. "We don't want to rob people of their individuality," Messman said. "But the Army has never professed to be a leader in fashion. Our goal is to create a conservative, professional image and some of the more trendy styles will not accomplish that goal."

Dreadlocks are prohibited for all soldiers. Prohibited hair dye colors include purple, blue, pink, green, orange, bright fire-engine red, and neon colors.

"If soldiers use dyes, tints, or bleaches, they must choose those that result in natural hair colors," Messman said.

Women are authorized to wear braids and cornrows;

baldness is authorized for males, either natural shaved.

Males are not authorized to wear nail polish and they must keep nails trimmed to the tip of the finger. Females must keep nails trimmed no longer than 1/4 inch, as measured from the fingertip. Two-tone or multitone manicures and nail designs are prohibited. Prohibited nail polish colors include bright fire-engine red, khaki or camouflage, purple, gold, blue, black, white, and neon colors.

Tinted or colored contacts, and contacts that change the shape of the iris are prohibited, as they are not medically required. The only tinted contacts authorized are opaque lenses (when prescribed for eye injuries) and clear corrective vision lenses.

Other highlights

Commanders may authorize the use of a camouflage hydration system (commonly called "camelbacks") for field

duty or on work details. Soldiers will not use these devices in a garrison environment, unless directed by the commander.

Sew-on insignia is now

authorized the for desert $B\ D\ U\ s\ .$ Soldiers may wear the same insignia and awards as are worn the on woodland camouflage battle dress uni-

form. Soldiers who are pregnant should wear the PT uniform ship in the field," Messman until the uniform becomes too small or too uncomfortable. At that time, pregnant soldiers may wear civilian equivalent workout attire. Leaders will not require soldiers to purchase larger PT uniforms to accommodate the pregnancy.

Wear of the RDI on the AG 415 class B shirt is optional.

The category of the EOD Badge is changed from group 5 to group 3.

> A wear-out date for the female officer

black mess uniform is Sept. 30, 2003. The

change people won't see in the regulation is males having the authority to carry umbrel-

"The Army is not ready for that change,' said Messman.

"We depend a lot on leadersaid. "They know the young soldiers of today. I get their input on when it's time to allow something that wasn't allowed before, or when something starts becoming a distraction and needs to be addressed."

Celebrating the Fourth safely

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Independence Day, July 4, is the day Americans celebrate their independence from England with parades, carnivals, cookouts and fireworks.

Fireworks and the law

Each year several thousand people are injured or burned as a result of fireworks' mishaps.

Fireworks are illegal in the Maryland and on Aberdeen Proving Ground.

According to Andre Fournier, Fire Protection Specialist for the Fire and Emergency Services Division, Directorate of Safety, Health and Environment, Maryland law reads, "It is unlawful for any person to discharge fireworks without a permit, or to possess fireworks. Penalty for this offense could be a fine of not more than \$250 for each offense. Any person selling fireworks could receive a fine of not more than \$1,000 for each offense."

Illegal fireworks

Fire Laws of Maryland, Article 38A, Section 15 (a), define illegal fireworks as; firecrackers, Squibs, rockets, Roman candles, fire balloons, signal lights, cherry bombs, and any combustible, explosive or implosive composition, or any substance or combination of substances, or article prepared for the purpose of

See FIREWORKS, page 11

Community Notes

THURSDAY JULY 4

FOURTH OF JULY SPECIALTY MEAL

The annual Fourth of July specialty meal will be held in the Aberdeen Area dining facilities, buildings 4219 and 4503, and Edgewood Area dining facility, building E-4225, noon to 1:30 p.m. During this event all military personnel, family members, Department of Defense civilians, retirees and guests are invited to dine.

The standard meal rate of \$3.25 applies to any officer, enlisted member, and family member of sergeant or above, DoD civilian, retiree and their guest. The discount meal rate of \$2.70 applies to spouses and other family members of enlisted personnel in ranks private through specialist/cor-

The Fourth of July specialty meal menu includes bar-b-que ribs, barbeque chicken, grilled hamburgers/cheeseburgers, grilled bratwurst, grilled frankfurters, baked beans, buttered corn on the cob, buttered green beans, potato salad, macaroni salad, assorted relish trays, assorted potato chips, assorted fresh fruits, assorted pastries and assorted bever-

Note: menu is subject to change without prior notification. For more information call Edward Parylo, or Joyce Thane at 410-306-1399/1393/1398.

SATURDAY JULY 6

WACVA MONTHLY MEETING

The Women's Army Corps Veterans Association Maryland Free State Chapter #70 will hold their next meeting 10 a.m. at the Aberdeen Senior Citizen Center. Agenda includes installation of the club's new officers: Sheila Smith, President; Connie Murphy. 1st Vice President; Judy Fortier, 2nd Vice President; Velma Alaniz, Secretary; Lou Creighton, Treasurer and Elizabeth Toms, Sergeant-at-Arms.

All women who have served or are serving in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, Women's Army Corps, Regular Army, Army Reserve, Army National Guard and Army Nurse Corps are welcome to attend. Also welcome, as associate members, are women of the Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard.

For more information about the association, contact Wanda Story, 410-272-5040 or visit Web sites www.wacva.com or www.armywomen.org.

FRIDAY

JULY 12 BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit the Ladies Auxiliary, Volunteer Fire Company #1 of Chesapeake City will be held at the Chesapeake City Fire Hall (2nd floor) 215 Lock Street, Chesapeake City at 6 p.m.; bingo starts at 7 p.m. Food, drinks and baked goods will be available. Cost is \$10; additional sets cost \$5.

For tickets, call Lori, 410-287-0827, or Carol, 410-885-5060.

SATURDAY **JULY 13 YARD SALE**

A yard sale to benefit the Aberdeen High School Girls Junior Varsity and Varsity Soccer Teams will be held at Aberdeen High School on Paradise Road from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Rain date is July 20.

NEW WACVA CHAPTER FORMING

An organization meeting and barbeque to discuss the forming of a new chapter of the Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association will be held at 449 West Bel Air Avenue, Aberdeen at noon.

All women who have served or are serving in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, Women's Army Corps, Regular Army, Army Reserve, Army National Guard and Army Nurse Corps are welcome to attend. Also welcome, as associate members, are women of the Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard.

For more information about the association or to RSVP by July 11, contact Wanda Story, 410-272-5040, or visit Web sites www.wacva.com or www.armywomen.org.

THURSDAY

JULY 18 ASMC LUNCHEON

The American Society of Military Comptrollers, Chesapeake Chapter, will host a luncheon at Top of the Bay, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Buffet style luncheon is pay as you go. Agenda will cover the recognition of outgoing officers and the installation of new officers. If interested in attending, contact your ASMC representative.

FRIDAY

JULY 19

BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo to benefit Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department will be held at the Aberdeen Fire Hall, Rogers Street, 7 p.m.; doors open at 6 p.m. Food, drinks and baked goods will be available. Cost is \$10; additional sets cost \$5.

For tickets, call Judy Hinch, 410-272-7585, or Brenda Conjour, 410-273-7332.

SATURDAY

JULY 20

FLEA MARKET

Prince of Peace Church, 2600 Willoughby Beach Road, Edgewood, is having a flea market from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pit beef will be available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables are available for the Flea Market for \$10. Proceeds will benefit youth ministry and religious education. For more information, call Dawn Branch at 410-676-7785.

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES

EMPLOYMENT READINESS

The ACS Employment Readiness Program will hold an Employment Readiness Workshop, Mondays, 1 to 3 p.m., building 2752 Rodman Road, second floor. ACS can help attendees determine their job skills. Three classes will be held on July 29, Aug. 19 and Sept. 16. Topics include a job skills workshop; finding the perfect career; Internet tools; resume pointers; and other great ideas to help with a job search. Classes are open to APG valid ID cardholders. Military family members have priority. For more information or to register, call Marilyn Howard, ACS Employment Readiness Program, 410-278-9669. Space is limited.

TEEN PARENTING CLASSES

The Family Advocacy Program will offer "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP)" Teen Classes every Tuesday and Thursday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Army Community Service, building 2754, Rodman Road. STEP is offered to parents who have children ranging from 12 to 18 years old. The dates and topics are:

July 9 Understanding Yourself and Your Teenager July 11 Changing Your Response to

Your Teen July 16 Communicating Respect and

Encouragement July 18 Encouraging Cooperation and

Problem Solving

July 23 Using Consequences to Build

Responsibility July 25 Deciding What to Do If you are interested in registering for STEPTeen Parenting Classes, call Laura Reich, family advocacy preven-

tion specialist at 410-278-7478 by July 3. **CAN DO! KIDS CLASSES**

The Exceptional Family Member Program is sponsoring "Who are Can Do! Kids?," a program on what children can do instead of what they cannot. Can Do! Kids use their abilities in whatever way is best for them in order to do the things they want. Every child can be a Can Do! Kid. There will be four sessions held every Monday, 6 to 7 p.m. at Army Community Service, building 2754. The topics and dates are: July 8, Life Skills, and July 15, Creative Thinking

Attendees must register by calling Reeshemah Bugg, EFMP manager at 410-278-2420.

BUILDING BLOCKSTO SUCCESS

Army Community Service is sponsoring a Saving and Investing class June 27, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Army Community Service Center, building 2754, Rodman Road. Class is free and open to all civilians, active duty personnel, retirees and family members. Space is limited. For more information or to reserve a seat, call Arcelio V. Alleyne, 410-278-2450. Attendees are encouraged to bring their lunch.

VTC UNITES MILITARY FAMILY MEMBERS

Army Community Service has set up a free video teleconference (VTC) available for military families to get in touch with their deployed loved ones. The VTC is located at ACS, building 2754, Rodman Road. Families will be able to see each other on a wide screen. To set up an appointment, call ACS, 410-278-2453.

MOVIES

The Post Theater will be closed on Friday, July 5 and Saturday, July 6 for the Independence Day holiday.

Library Book Corner

The APG Garrison Library has the following books for your reading pleasure:



How to Grill: the complete illustrated book of barbecue techniques by Steven Raichlin

Salads for All Seasons by Barbara Gibbons

Barbecue Indoors and Out by Linda West Eckhardt



Barbecues 101: more than 100 recipes for great grilled, smoked, and barbecued food plus all the fixings for perfect outdoor parties by Rick Rodgers



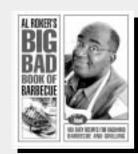
Weight Watchers Slim Ways Grilling

Born to Grill by Cheryl Alters Jamison

Salad Suppers by Andrea Chesman



Al Roker's Big Bad Book of Barbecue: 100 easy recipes for backyard barbecue and grilling by Al Roker



You can receive a complete listing of the library's new materials via e-mail and also reserve items electronically. Contact the library at 410-278-4991 for details.

Operating hours of the Aberdeen Area Library, building 3320, are Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The Edgewood Area library is open on Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For information, call 410-436-3589.

The Ordnance Center and Schools Library is located in the basement of building 3071.

International Fire Code 2000 by International Code

Switching Careers by Robert K. Otterboura

Life and Death on Your Own Terms by L.L. Basta, M.D.



10 Steps in Writing the **Research Paper** by

Roberta Markman, Ph.D HTTP Pocket Reference by Clinton

Wong

The OC&S Library hours are Monday, noon to 4:15 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. and Friday, noon to 4:15 p.m.

Transfer Program (outside agency). Employees leav-

LEAVE DONATION

Employees eligible for donations in the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program are:

Request to Donate Annual Leave to Leave Recipient

Under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program (within

agency); and OPM 630-B, Request to Donate Annual

Beginning immediately, the new forms to use for the Voluntary Leave Program are OPM 630, Application to Become a Leave Recipient Under the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program; OPF 630-A,

Mary A Banaszak Fay Walker Banker (hip replacement) Marian Bellis (fracture of left

tibia)

Janet H. Brezinski (surgery) Bonnie Bromley (liver transplant) Daniel Brown (father has emphysema)

Tammy Budkey Jane E. Calahan (surgery) Nancy Coleman-Jones (surgery) Tracy H Coliano-Hirsch (maternity) Geraldine S. Cragg Dawn M. Crouse (surgery) Rene de Pontbriand Tricia Lin Dietz Fred Dill

Joseph R. Dugan

Messina Enderlein Wayne Erb (wife is ill) Denise M. Fox (maternity leave) Joyce C Green Gerald P. Gulden Michael L. Hitchcock (surgery) Valarina M. Higgins (maternity) Fern L. Hitchcock (surgery) Melanie A. Hoffman (parasinusitis, fibromyalgia condition) Nina M. Holley Beverly A Higgins (surgery) Stephen Howard (bone marrow transplant) Wayne A. Jaynes Evelyn K. Johnson (surgery) Marlin Julian (heart surgery)

Mary B. Kane (surgery on leg)

Jennifer Keetley (maternity)

Leave to Leave Recipient Under the Voluntary Leave Beverly King (caring for husband) William Klein Nicole L. Klein (broken ankle)

Anita L Koller Carrie L. Lambert Yvonne Lissimore (knee surgery) Angela R. Little (neck and shoul-

der injury) Edna L. Lobodzinski (eye surgery) Geraldine Martin (surgery) William B. McLean (kidney fail-

ure) Rebecca G. Mercer-Leto (heart attack)

Stacy Miller (maternity) Sandra W. Miller (back surgery) John E. Mogan (surgery) Cecil Pennington (surgery) Debi L. Petosky (back surgery)

Karen S Pense Mary E. Pettiway Barbara Carol Remines (surgery) Angela L. Reeves (maternity leave) Michael Reynolds Boyd J. Richards (care of mother) Denise Robinson (maternity) Ricky Ross (heart attack) Tami C. Rowland (maternity) Allan Scarborough (back surgery) Jennifer W. Sekowski **Sherry Schaffer** Diane Scott Lena Shelton Motoko Stahl Debra S. Stark (surgery) Colvin J. Strickler II

Rachel Swearingen

ing the program need to contact Dave Mial, 410-278-1524, so that they can complete a termination Walter J Swiderski Hilary P. Talbot

Alison Tichenor (surgery)

Sandra M. Wachter (surgery)

Rosalind Walters-Kenion (maternity) Cecelia Walton (respiratory prob-Beverly A. Werner (surgery) Michael R. Willard Charles Young (kidney and pancreas transplant)

Andrew M. Vaught (brain tumor

removed) Wanda L.Waldon (surgery)

*Colleen Waller Josephine O. Wojiechowski (care for elderly parents)

For information about donating annual leave, call Dave Mial at 410-278-1524 or fax 410-278-7877. (*An asterisk indicates employees working at the APG office of the U.S. Army Research Laboratory. Call Susan Goldberg, 301-394-1080, regarding ARL employees.)



Equipment Resource Center holiday hours

The Equipment Resource Center will be closed July 3 and 4 and reopen July 5.

Introduction to cake decorating

Learn how to make patterns and designs, tube writing, frosting, and borders every Thursday for seven weeks starting July 11 at the Aberdeen Area Recreation Center. Some additional supplies are required and a list will be handed out at the first class. Cost is \$45. Register by July 8 at the AA Recreation Center, building 3326 or call 410-278-2621. For more information, contact Earlene Allen at 410-278-3854 or e-mail her at earlene.allen@usag.apg.army.mil.



Atlantic City trip

Visit the Sands Casino or other casinos and stroll the boardwalk July 13, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. A fee of \$25 includes motor coach transportation and a complimentary offering. Purchase tickets by July 9 at the Information, Ticketing and Registration office, building 3326, or call 410-278-4011. For more information, contact Earlene Allen at 410-278-3854 or e-mail her at earlene.allen@usag.apg.army.mil.

Harpers Ferry

See the site of John Brown's famous revolt, enjoy the Hilltop House Restaurant and still have time to browse and shop in this charming historic town July 21, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$40 and includes a guided tour and lunch. Purchase tickets by July 9 at the ITR Office, building 3326, or call 410-278-4011. For more information contact Earlene Allen at 410-278-3854 or e-mail her at earlene.allen@usag.apg.army.mil.

Chesapeake Challenge Amusement Park

A 4th of July special includes buy three get one free Go Kart Ride and Mini Golf Package. Children under 5 accompanied by parents play for free. For more information, contact Ed DelaCruz at 410-278-4124.

MWR lunchtime hot spots

Come out and taste the weekly lunch specials at the AA Recreation Center Snack Bar, building 3326; Bowling Center, building 2342; or Ruggles Golf Course Snack Bar, 5600 block,

New Bowling Center hours

Through Aug. 31 the new hours for the Aberdeen Proving Ground Bowling Center will be:

Monday through Wednesday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday Friday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday 1 to 11 p.m. Closed

Beginning Sept. 1, the hours will be: Monday and Tuesday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday

1 to 6 p.m.

Fireworks

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producing a visible or an audible effect of combustion, explosion, implosion, deflagration, or detonation.

Legal fireworks

Legal fireworks are defined as sparklers containing no chlorates or perchlorates; or paper wrapped snappers containing less than three hundred grains of explosive composition; or ash-producing pellets known as "snakes" which contain no mercury.

"It is important to look at the packaging," Fournier said. "Only gold label hand-held sparklers are legal throughout most parts of Maryland, except for Prince George's and Montgomery counties, as well as Baltimore City."

New category of fireworks

The Maryland General Assembly adopted and passed a law, House Bill 799 in 2001, which approved a new category of fireworks called Ground-based Sparkling Devices.

A GBSD is a non-aerial and non-explosive device that is labeled in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. They are marketed in a wide variety of styles, shapes and sizes however, each must bear a label that states: "WARNING" or "CAUTION" EMITS

serving everything from cheese steaks to pizza. Lunch is served daily from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Yankee Stadium tour

Join MWR to see the house that Babe Ruth built Aug. 24 at 10:30 a.m. This may be the last chance to see a baseball icon before it is remodeled. The bus will pick up from and return to the Aberdeen Plaza Shopping



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Center. Bus will depart promptly at 10:30 a.m. and return at 11:30 p.m. Purchase tickets by Aug. 9 at the ITR office, building 3326, or call 410-278-4011. For more information, contact Stacie Edie at 410-278-3931 or e-mail her at stacie.edie@usag.apg.army.mil.

I Wear My Sunglasses at Night Cruise

Cruise on the Lantern Queen, a Mississippi-style river boat, in Havre de Grace, July 17, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cost is \$35. This is a karaoke cruise. Enter the contests for best solo singer and group singer to win concert tickets. For more information, contact Chris Lockhart at 410-278-3904 or e-mail her at chris.lockhart@usag.apg.army.mil.

Shake Your Booty Cruise

Cruise on the Lantern Queen, a Mississippi-style river boat, in Havre de Grace, July 18, 9:30 p.m to 1:30 a.m. Cost is \$30. Enter best dancer contest to win concert tickets. For more information, contact Chris Lockhart at 410-278-3904 or e-mail her at chris.lockhart@usag.apg.army.mil.

Mystery Bowl winner

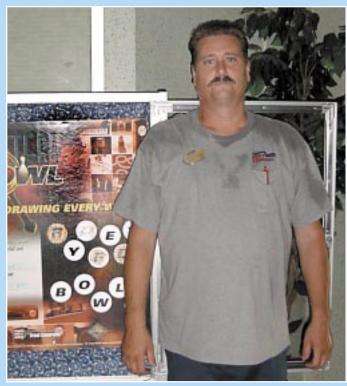


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This week's mystery bowl winner is Steve Sazenbaker, Army Lodging.

SHOWERS OF SPARKS, use only under close adult supervision, for outdoor use only, place on level surface, light fuse and get away. Devices that bear a label with "descriptive" terms such as "Shoots Flaming Balls" or "Report" are not GBSD and are illegal in Maryland.

Even though the Maryland General Assembly passed this law in 2001, not all local jurisdictions accept the law.

Currently, the following jurisdictions have prohibited and established more stringent requirements for GBSD: Baltimore City, Montgomery County, Prince's George's County, Ocean City, Bel Air and APG.

Precautions when handling legal fireworks

Fournier offers the following precautions when handling legal

Exercise extreme caution when using hand held Gold labeled sparklers.

Keep sparklers away from the body, where sparks from the sparkler could ignite clothing and cause minor burns.

ble materials. Make sure the stems on the sparklers are cool to touch before

Keep burning sparklers away from combustible and flamma-

discarding into the trash. When using GBSD in legal jurisdictions, make sure that the

devices are placed on a non-combustible surface such as driveways, sidewalks or dirt before igniting. Most will throw out sparks at least four feet in diameter from the base.

Recruitment of baggage screeners steps up

Airport

Athens, Ga.

port, Boston

lotte, N.C.

port, Chicago

Rapids, Mich.

national Airport

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In a major acceleration of its hiring campaign, the Transportation Security Administration has started recruiting federal baggage screeners at 30 airports across the country, agency officials announced June 21.

Under the 2001 Aviation and Transportation Security Act, the TSA has until Nov. 19 to hire and train federal screeners at the nation's 429 airports.

In order to meet its deadline, TSA needs to hire 7,000 to 8,000 screeners every month through the end of October.

Screeners can earn from \$23,600 to \$35,400 a year and get locality pay adjustments (adjustments to salary to compensate for high cost of living areas).

They also receive standard federal benefits, including membership in the Federal Employees Health Benefit Plan and the Federal Employee Retirement System. Screeners have limited whistleblower rights under an agreement between TSA and the Office of Special Counsel, the agency that investigates violations of the 1989 Whistleblower Protection Act.

TSA has not decided if screeners will be allowed to join federal unions.

Applicants who want to work as screeners on a fulltime or part-time basis may apply online at TSA's Web site or by calling 877-631-JOBS. Applicants who make it past the initial round will be directed to an assessment center, where officials with the testing firm NCS Pearson Inc. will evaluate their language and motor skills.

TSA is now taking screener applications at the following airports:

Baltimore-Washington International Airport

Philadelphia International

Cleveland Hopkins International

Port Columbus Inter-

Airport, Chicopee, Mass.

tucky International Airport

Pittsburgh International

Athens/Ben Epps Airport,

Hartsfield Atlanta Inter-

Hanscom Field, Bedford,

Logan International Air-

Charlotte/Douglas

International Airport, Char-

Chicago Midway Airport

O'Hare International Air-

Westover Metropolitan

Cincinnati/Northern Ken-

national, Columbus, Ohio Gerald R. Ford International Airport, Grand

Bradley International Airport, Hartford, Conn.

Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Muskego County Airport, Muskegon, Mich.

Newark International Airport, Newark, N.J.

Groton-New London Airport, New London, Conn. Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport,

Newport News, Va. John F. Kennedy International Airport, New York

LaGuardia Airport, New York

Norfolk International Airport, Norfolk, Va.

Orlando International Air-

 $R\ a\ l\ e\ i\ g\ h\ -\ D\ u\ r\ h\ a\ m$ International Airport, Raleigh, N.C.

Spokane International Airport, Spokane, Wash.

Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, St. Paul, Minn.

Tampa International Airport, Tampa, Fla.

Worcester Regional Airport, Worcester, Mass.

When igniting fireworks, special consideration must be taken due to drought conditions in Maryland.

Have a bucket of water or a garden hose close by.

Always wet down grassy areas near the ignition site before

Make sure that the container of the GBSD is cool to the touch before discarding into the trash.

In the event of fire or burns, know your emergency numbers. Be careful with small children around barbecue grills.

Most people that are in an emergency situation panic and

become confused. If you have an emergency on post in the housing area, dial 911 and advise the operator that you are calling from APG

Aberdeen Area or APG Edgewood Area. The emergency operator will then switch you to the appropri-

ate personnel.

Local events

Harford County locations that will be displaying fireworks include Havre de Grace at 9 p.m. on July 6 at Tydings Park, located at the corner of Union Avenue and Commerce Street and July 4, 9 p.m. at the Bel Air High School complex, off the Bond Street extension. "The Aberdeen Proving Ground Fire and Emergency Services

Division wishes everyone a fire safe 4th of July," Fournier added. (Editor's note: This is a reprint from June 27 APG News.)

Housing

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Army's forward-looking approach to mission sustainment while, at the same time, addressing the significance of its historic buildings," White said. "Through this and other actions, such as the Army Alternate Procedures, the Army has established itself as the acknowledged leader among federal agencies in the management of historic properties."

Section 106 of NHPA requires an extensive review process before renovation, rehabilitation, privatization, or demolition of any building 50 years old or older can occur. This review process, specified under Title 36 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations known as "Protection of Historic Properties," can be time-consuming and expensive for installations, officials said.

Military housing built between 1949 and 1962 is referred to as Capehart and Wherry housing for the two United States senators who sponsored construction programs to solve the need for military family housing. Capehart and Wherry-era housing is consid-

ered historically significant because it represents the first widespread military family housing effort. It is named for former U.S. senators Kenneth Wherry, R-Neb., and Homer Capehart, R-Ind., who sponsored the legislation in response to critical post-World War II military family housing shortages.

There are, according to the Integrated Facilities System database, currently 19,036 Capehart and Wherry Era buildings in the Army's real property inventory, which account for 52 percent of all the Army's family housing stock in the United States. The Army has Capehart-Wherry buildings at 57 installations distributed among 11 major commands.

Currently, 1,904 Capehart-Wherry buildings are over 50 years old. In five years, there will be 5,423 over the 50-year mark, and within the next 10 years, all 19,036 will cross the 50-year threshold.

This would have created a major installation NHPA compliance requirement for actions such as maintenance and repair, rehabilitation, renovation, transfer, sale or lease under the Army's

said. They said the regulatory review procedure could have been very time-consuming and expensive, and could have presented a significant, near-term regulatory burden to installation commanders. The one-time programmatic compliance action eliminated the review procedure for each building.

"This single, centralized, Army-wide compliance effort is an innovative and groundbreaking undertaking," said Dr. Mario Fiori, assistant secretary of the Army for installations and environment.

Due to changing Army demographics and the increasing numbers of soldiers with families, the post-World War II period found the military in dire need of family housing. Senator Wherry's program, implemented between 1949 and 1955, allowed developers to construct and maintain family housing on Department of Defense lands using FHA-insured mortgages. Senator Capehart's program, implemented from 1955 to 1962, called for DoD to purchase housing constructed by developers. The Army was the primary beneficiary of the two housing pro-

Today, the Army Family Housing Master Residential Communities Initiative, officials Plan indicates that 70 percent of the Army's

family housing is considered inadequate. The Capehart-Wherry programmatic compliance approach is a regulatory alternative that will eliminate delays in upgrading family housing, officials said, by removing the regulatory project-by-project review at each installation that would otherwise be required.

Coordination between the Army and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers led to the incorporation of several protective measures in the program, officials said, including a historic context study of Capehart and Wherry era developments, a guide to help preserve their important design aspects, and a video to document their importance in the history of Army family housing and installation development in the post-World War

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